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SUBJECT: SOVIETS AND EAST GERMANS PROTEST MAYOR

SCHUETZ' DESIGNATION AS CULTURAL PLENI-
POTENTIARY

REF: A) USBER 076; B) USBER 034

1. AT JAN 15 BONN GROUP MEETING FRG REP (KASTRUP)
REPORTED THAT SOVIET EMBASSY MINISTER TOKOVININ HAD
CALLED ON CHANCELLERY OFFICIAL JAN 2 AND ATTACKED BERLIN
MAYOR SCHUETZ' DESIGNATION AS PLENIPOTENTIARY FOR FRG
UNDER FRANCO-GERMAN CULTURAL TREATY. TOKOVININ SAID THE
DESIGNATION WAS DEMONSTRATIVE FRG ACT IN VIOLATION OF QA
IN THAT SCHUETZ WOULD EXERCISE FRG COMPETENCES VIS A VIS
THIRD STATES AND IN THAT HE COULD TAKE DECISIONS IN
EXERCISE OF DIRECT FRG STATE AUTHORITY OVER WSB. KASTRUP
SAID FRG PLANNING HAVE FON OFF SOVIET COUNTRY DIRECTOR
MAKE DEFINITIVE REPLY TO TOKOVININ ON LINE OF FRENCH
AMB WORMSER'S RESPONSE TO YEFREMOV IN BERLIN (REFTEL B),
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I.E., CULTURAL AFFAIRS IN FRG NOT WITHIN COMPETENCE OF

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, BUT OF THE LAENDER.

2. KASTRUP SAID THAT "COUNSELOR" OF GDR PERMANENT REPRESENTATION, BAUMGAERTEL, HAD CALLED ON A DIFFERENT CHANCELLERY OFFICIAL JAN 13 TO PROTEST SCHUETZ' DESIGNATION SAYING IT WAS AN ASSERTION OF FRG CLAIMS ON WSB, AND WAS CONTRARY TO INTEREST IN DETENTE, SECURITY IN EUROPE, AND NORMALIZATION OF FRG-GDR RELATIONS. BAUMGAERTEL FOLLOWED THIS UP WITH JAN 14 CALL ON FRG "COUNTY DIRECTOR" FOR BERLIN AND INNER-GERMAN MATTERS (AND SENIOR BONN GROUP REP) LUECKING. AS "INFORMATION", BAUMGAERTEL READ LUECKING SAME STATEMENT.

3. COMMENT: FRENCH REP (BOISSIEU) HAD EARLIER TOLD US THAT FRENCH HAD NOT AT ALL BEEN PLEASED BY PROSPECT OF SCHUETZ' DESIGNATION, BUT PARIS HAD DECIDED THERE WOULD BE NO WAY TO STOP IT WITHOUT CAUSING A FLAP SO THEY ACQUIESCED.
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